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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Luc MONTAGNIER, et al.

Serial No.: 08/470,489

Filed: June 6, 1995

RETROVIRUS CAPABLE OF For:

> CAUSING AIDS, MEANS AND METHOD FOR DETECTING IT

IN VITRO

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a four month extension of time to reply to the Notice of Appeal which was filed on October 6, 1999. A fee of \$1,360.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

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